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A state taking advantage of the act, was required to provide, within five years from its passage, at least one college, or the grant failed and the state required to refund. The act also excluded from its benefits, every state engaged "in rebellion or insurrection, while so engaged."

Under this act, Alabama became entitled to 24,000 acres of land, but being at that time engaged in war with the United States, was, for the while excluded from its benefits; and nearly three years of the five allowed, expired before peace was restored.

By an act passed July 23, 1866, Congress extended the time within which the state might comply with the provisions of the original act, giving the states three years from the passage of the latter act within which to file an acceptance of the benefits of the act of 1862, and five years from the filing of such acceptance within which to establish the necessary college or colleges.

On December 31, 1868, the General Assembly of Alabama accepted the national grant, which in this act was land scrip amounting to 240,000 acres which when sold, realized \$253,500.

This sum is invested in State bonds bearing eight per cent which rate is guaranteed as perpetual making the permanent annual income, for strictly collegiate purposes, \$20,280. No part of the capital or interest is allowed to be used in the purchase, erection, preservation, or repair of any building, or buildings, but ten per cent of the capital may be used for the purpose of sites and experiment farms.

Owing, however to the demoralization incident to the civil war, and the subsequent period of reconstruction, the national grant was not utilized by the state of Alabama until February 26, 1872, when the Legislature established and incorporated the college pursuant to the Federal act.

The congressional Act forbidding the use of the endowment fund for building purposes, and the state treasury being depleted in 1872, the legislature was forced to offer the location of the college to the community making the most liberal bid in buildings or money.

Three places, made offer for it. Florence, Birmingham and Auburn. In the village in 1857, through the

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